

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting regarding the proposed extension of the existing IH 45 (N) High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane(s) from FM 1960 to Loop 336 (S) in Conroe. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at the College Park High School, which is located at 3701 College Park Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77384. The meeting will be held in an open house format from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to gather public input on the proposed extension of the existing IH 45 (N) HOV lane(s). The existing IH 45 (N) is a multi-lane divided facility typically consisting of 3-lane frontage roads, 8 mainlanes (four in each direction), 10 ft inside shoulders and 12 ft outside shoulders. The proposed project would consist of utilizing the existing concrete pavement in the center of the mainlanes for two HOV diamond lanes (one in each direction), minor widening of IH 45 (N) at four existing overpass locations and restriping of the freeway. The proposed project is approximately 18-miles in length. No additional right of way would be required for the proposed project.

Exhibits showing aerial photography and diagrammatic plans of the proposed project corridor will be presented at the meeting. Representatives from TxDOT and the study team will be available to answer individual questions. Public comments are encouraged. The diagrammatic plan showing the proposed project is on file and available for review at the TxDOT Houston District office located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. TxDOT offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding State holidays.

Persons interested in attending the public meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at 713-802-5072 at least two working days prior to the meeting. Since the public meeting will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

All interested persons are invited to attend this public meeting. Written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the meeting or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, or electronically to <a href="https://houston.org/houston-needed-to-the-n